

ISSUE 98
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Beach Hop Edition



"If you see someone without a smile - give them one of yours"



VICE PRESIDENTS REPORT

Lyn Ward

On behalf of our President, Geoff, and all the committee welcome to the first RAZZA for 2023.

Wehave had a rough start to the year weather wise and I hope everyone came through the cyclone and rain events with little or no damage. We are all thinking of those people impacted in the North and especially in the Hawke's Bay and Gisborne region.

All the adjuncts have started up and the club is busy most days. We have had entertainment most weekends.

Recently we held the welfare bowls day in conjunction with the bowling club. Numbers were down a little on last year but we had a lovely sunny day and everyone really enjoyed themselves. The raffle prizes were once again outstanding and a huge thank you must go out to the businesses of Whangamata who once again supported this worthy cause magnanimously. I must also say thank you to our committee member, Jennie Black, who did the leg work in contacting the local businesses and then picking up the prizes. Once we have got the final figures in the amount raised will be announced.

Beach Hop is coming to town again this week. We look forward to hosting a range of entertainment again from Wednesday to Sunday including the truck show on Saturday. Come along and enjoy what the RSA has to offer. We have a special licence for this period so bring your family and friends into our family friendly club.

Next month we have ANZAC Day. We will be collecting on Poppy Day, 21 April, to raise funds to support our veterans in our area. This is always a great day of remembrance starting with the sunrise gathering at the surf club, parade and civil service followed by light lunch and entertainment at the RSA.

As always please look after yourselves and your family and remember if you need any help, we have our Local Support Advisors to support you. Contact Kerry, our manager, at the RSA and she will pass on your contact details.







UPDATE CONTACT DETAILS

Not getting emails? Change your address?

If any of your details need to be updated email rsamanager@outlook.com put "Contact Details" in the subject line



Everyone welcome, we are a family friendly RSA

LOOKING FOR SOMETHING TO DO? WE HAVE...

Snooker and 8 Ball tables free to use

Library

full of books, puzzles and magazines (kids books and puzzles too)

Fun games for the family
Cornhole, Giant Jenga, Quoits...



ART, SOMETHING FUN, HOLIDAYS, SPORTS, SCHOOL, ACHIEVEMENTS?...

WHAT'S ON

UPCOMING EVENTS AND ENTERTAINMENT

MARCH

-///// Repea

BEACH HOP

WEDNESDAY 22ND

Toucan | 6.30pm

THURSDAY 23RD

Blaze | 8pm

FRIDAY 24TH

Crowd Pleazers | 7.30pm

SATURDAY 25TH

Pickup Truck Show in Carpark

Crowd Pleazers | 12pm – 2pm Crowd Pleazers | 7.30pm

SUNDAY 26TH

Kevin Greaves Family Trio | 4pm

APRIL

SUNDAY 9TH

Kevin Greaves | 4pm

'Easter Weekend'

SUNDAY 16TH

WAK'M | 5pm

FRIDAY 21ST Poppy Day

TUESDAY 25TH ANZAC Day

with Ebonivory













Womens Section Report

Lyn Ward - President

We started this new year with a belated Christmas lunch for our February meeting on Tuesday the 7th. Thank you to the RSA for putting this lunch on for the section that we couldn't have in December due to Covid rearing it's ugly head again. We had 25 members come to the lunch and everyone enjoyed the day and thought it was a good way to start the year.





An exchange of gifts was held before lunch and there were some enterprising and wonderful gifts for our small budget of \$10-\$15. The raffles were well supported and those members that had birthdays in December, January and February were given their small gifts. All members thought this was a great way to start our year and hopefully we will get a full year of meetings and gatherings.

Our March meeting was held on Tuesday 7th. At the end of the meeting Val Kahui was presented with a lovely floral gift to say thank you for her time on the committee. She has decided to step down after doing over ten years. After the meeting we had a general knowledge quiz and Trish Fagan was our quizmaster. We set ourselves into groups of four and tried to answer fifteen questions. The winning team score 11.5 points and were awarded with some little chocolates.

On Sunday 12th March Whangamata Women's Section hosted the District Women's Section AGM. We had seven sections represented with Catherine Hill (RNZNWA Treasurer and President Masterton Women's Section), Tony Hill (District RSA President) and Tricia Hague (District Support Advisor) as our guests. The meeting went well starting with morning tea provided by Whangamata and lunch in Ying's restaurant. All those attending enjoyed catching up with each other.

The next section meeting will be held on Tuesday 4th April at 1.30pm



C O U N T R Y E S T A T E

RETIREMENT VILLAGE LIVING

If you are interested in learning about life in a retirement village

Longridge Country Estate in Paeroa is hosting an information morning tea

10am on Wednesday 12 April at Whangamata RSA

RSVP would be helpful for catering.

Please call Longridge on 0800 928 928 or email jenny@longridgecountryestate.co.nz with numbers attending

or come along on the day





RIFLEMAN WILLIAM CHARLES PATTON

SERVICE NO: 25/1198 BORN: 12 July 1890 Tairua

SON OF: John and the late Annie Jane Patton nee Watson formerly of Tairua

NEXT OF KIN LISTED: Miss L.A. McPike (friend), Kauaeranga, Thames

OCCUPATION BEFORE ENLISTMENT: Farmer, Kauaeranga Thame

ENLISTED: 16 November 1915

EMBARKATION DETAILS: 5 February 1916 from Wellington bound for Suez,

Egypt on HMNZT 42 Ulimaroa Rifleman 3rd Battalion,

D Company New Zealand Rifle Brigade

LAST RANK: WW1 Rifleman New Zealand Rifle Brigade, 3rd Battalion

DIED: 12 October 1917 aged 28 Killed in Action Ypres, Belgium

BURIED: Passchendaele

MEMORIAL: Tyne Cot Memorial, Tyne Cot Cemetery, Zonnebeke,

West-Vlaanderen, Belgium

MEDALS RECEIVED: British War Medal | Victory Medal





Catering and Buffet available | Vegetarian and Gluten free options

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Best Dressed Winners

WELFARE BOWLS Fun Day

The 2023 Welfare Bowls Tournament was held at the Whangamata Bowling Club on Thursday 16th March. As usual we had a St Patrick's Day theme so there was plenty of green around on the day. Thanks to all those who made the effort to dress up accordingly.

A big thank you to our major sponsor's, Twentyman's Funeral Services and First National Real Estate and to all the other very generous businesses in Whangamata who donated towards our fundraising raffle. Thank you also goes to Jennie Black who arranged for the sponsorship. Well done Jennie.

To the Bowling Club, what can I say? We co-hosted another marvelous day, very enjoyable as usual held in a very friendly atmosphere.

To the Women's Section Ladies who provided the morning and afternoon teas and lunch, what a great job you did.

See you all again next year, probably around the same time.





Winners



First: Graeme Thwaites, Irene O'Sullivan, Roger Grey



Second: Alan Cotter, Erin Delaney, Richard Purdy



Third: Graeme Gunn, Des Harrison, Peter Kennan



Lucky Last Chocolate Fish: Nick Penney, Graeme Walder, John Unkovich















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Estuary Store

First National

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JCD Marine

Jennie Black

Lil Collective

Little Gallery

Little Latte

Luv Coffee

Lynne Robinson

Meat at the Beach

Merrell

Mr Alarm - Michael Bain

Pedal & Paddle

Peter Stretch

Port Road Project

Pumice Patch

Rod Styles

Smoky Pallet

Sorenson's

Stirling Sports

Superliquor

Table Talk

Te Ra Charters

Whangamata New World

Whangamata Pharmacy

Whangamata Service Centre

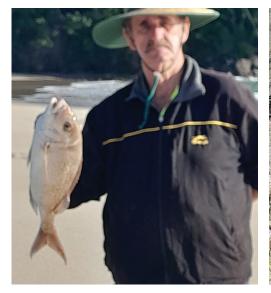
Women's Section

Ying's @ the RSA



















FISHING CLUB surf casting competition

We held the RSA fishing adjuncts first Surf casting competition on the 11th March 2023. Fortunately for us we have a member of our club who knows the owner of Green Island Estate and was able to gain access to Green Island Beach where we held our competition.

The weather was stunning and after being taxied down through the farm on the farm vehicles which carried our members and our gear for the day the fish were biting and within our first hour some of our members had landed their first fish and this continued for the next 2 or 3 hours. With the sun beating down and the fish off the bite we decided to retreat to the shade of the Pohutukawas for a bite to eat, Sausages and onions in bread was on the menu accompanied by a cold can of drink.

The weighing took place at our designated weigh station in that same shaded area. After a few more hearty hours of fishing we decided as a group that the heat had won and we packed up and returned to our own vehicles and home for showers by 2.30pm and to get ready for our prize giving held at the RSA.

We would like to thank our Sponsors for their support: Whangamata RSA, Super Liquor, Whangamata News, Bunnings, Coin Save, Alan Peard aka Fonz for the donations to our prizes and spot prizes.



FISHING CLUB surf casting competition

The categories were: 1st and 2nd in Snapper, Kahawai, Trevally, Gurnard, Kingfish and the ugliest Fish which there was only 1st and a Mystery weight which covered all categories. The Mystery weights were put into sealed envelopes and were drawn the Wednesday before by our RSA vice president Lyn which she held onto till the prize giving on the Saturday.

And the winners were:

1st Snapper2.72kgKERRY MOORE2nd Snapper1.78kgGORDON POURAUKahawai2.44 kgGARY McCORMICK

Tevally .69kg JANE KAY

Ugly fish 4.11kg WAYNE WILLIAMSON Mystery weight revealed a weight of 0.26kg and

our winner with the closest weight was 0.53kg IRWIN BAIN. The remaining uncaught categories were drawn from the

members that fished on the day and never received a placed prize.

Kingfish PUTI GAGE Gurnard FONZ

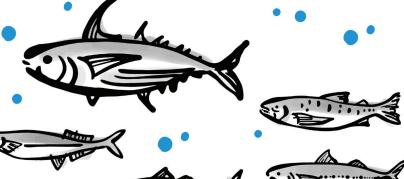
We also had numerous spot prizes so no one went away unhappy.

I would like to thank the following people for their help during the organizing of our comp. Jane Kay and Porka for the BBQ we had for our dinner. Our members that participated on the day to make our comp a success. Irwin Bain for organizing transport and the BBQ for our sausage sizzle. Green Island Estate for allowing us to go through his farm. And last but by no means least Mari Williamson who helped me to organize all the prizes and the rules for our comp while both of us were still working our normal jobs she was responsible for keeping me grounded and sane.

In closing a big Thank you to all hope to see more in our next Competition.



















FRIDAY QUIZ NIGHT

Lots of Fun - Test your Trivial Knowledge Teams of up to six players - \$2/person

COME AND JOIN IN ALL WELCOME!

PROUDLY SPONSORED BY













6.30PM
No Quiz night on 24th March



from 5.15pm

DRAW NIGHTS

Wednesday, Friday & Saturday

> Raffles Jokers Wild Membership Draws

Must be in to win!

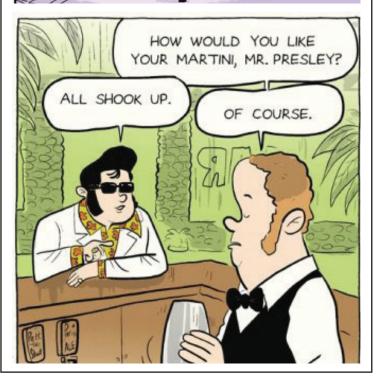


HOUSIE

Thursday 4pm







GOLDEN OLDIES SNOOKER

GOLDEN OLDIES TOURNAMENT

15th March 2023 Home Game Played: Te Aroha Won: 10 - 6

GOLDEN OLDIES PRACTICE ROUNDS

31st January 2023

Players: 8

Highest Break: Voucher - N/A

Winner: Ying's @ the RSA – Chips, 3 Wins, 150 Points

Runner Up: Bob S; 3 Wins, 144 Points Raffle: Meat at the Beach – No. 10 - Jack

7th February 2023

Winner: Ying's @ the RSA – Chips, 3 Wins, 242 Points

Runner Up: Ray, 3 Wins, 206 Points Raffle: Meat at the Beach – No. 19 - Chips

Golden Oldies Practice Round

21st February 2023

Players: 10

Highest Break: Meat at the Beach – Bob S. 25 Winner: Ying's @ the RSA – Jack; 4 Wins, 216 Points

Runner Up: Meat at the Beach – Bob S; 3 Wins, 211 Points

Raffle: No. 14 – Bob S.

28th February 2023

Players: 9

Winner: Ying's @ the RSA – John Nelson, 3 Wins, 165 Points Runner Up: Meat at the Beach – Bob S; 3 Wins, 148 Points

Raffle: Meat at the Beach – No. 12 Stephen

7th March 2023

Players: 8

Highest Break: Graham W. 24

Winner: Ying's @ the RSA – Bob S. 3 Wins, 208 Points Runner Up: Meat at the Beach – Rex, 2 Wins, 198 Points

Raffle: Meat at the Beach – No. 2 Kerry

14th March 2023

Players: 11

Winner: Ying's @ the RSA – Ray H; 3 Wins, 121 Points

Runner Up: Mike J; 3 Wins, 103 Points Raffle: Meat at the Beach – No. 3 Jack











Membership

Membership is available for Returned, Service and Associate

Over 18 years of age (\$35/year)

Veterans Returned and Service 75+ (\$15/year)

Junior Membership is available for 16 to 18 years of age (\$20/year)

Current Serving - Serving Uniformed Members of the NZ Defence Force and NZ Police - this is a complimentary membership. (Free)

Paid your Subs but don't have your card yet?

Come in and pick up, your card will be at the bar waiting for you. (This applies to members with a Whangamata address - if you have an out of town address your card has been posted, please contact us if you have not received your card).



JOIN NOW

Pay only \$35 until 30th June 2024





ADJUNCTS AND GROUPS



GOLDEN OLDIES SNOOKER

Tuesday 1pm

SNOOKER

Thursday 6pm



500

Wednesday 1pm



Tuesday 9.45am



FISHING

Please check noticeboard by 8 Ball tables for trip info





MAH JONG

Thursday 10am



8 BALL

Wednesday
Register by 6.30pm
Play starts 7pm
All Welcome
\$3 Entry
Pub Rules



Thursday 1.30pm



TAI CHI WITH CHERRY

Wednesday & Thursday 9am - 10am \$5





BALLROOM AND LATIN DANCING

Tuesday 4pm - 6pm all skill levels welcome



LINE DANCING

Friday
(every 4th Friday 1pm)
9.30am beginners
10.30am -12pm
\$3/person
all ages, abilities welcome